Welcome to the LFP Update, an e-publication from the Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts to keep LFP representatives and others informed about the activities of 1) Lilly Network institutions, 2) present and former Lilly Fellows and, 3) the LFP office at Valparaiso University.

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Selection of the Twelfth Cohort of Lilly Graduate Fellows

The Deadline for nominations for the Twelfth Cohort of Lilly Graduate Fellows is November 10, 2020. Each network school can nominate up to three students for the Lilly Graduate Fellowships. Students are eligible for the Lilly Graduate Fellowship who plan to enter PhD or comparable programs in fall 2021 and received a bachelor’s degree from your institution after April 2016. For additional eligibility requirements, click here. For more general information or questions, please click here or contact us here. LFP Representatives are responsible for nominating applicants.

Last year, with the Eleventh Cohort of Lilly Graduate Fellows, we began a new era of self-sustainability for the program by inaugurating a new group of Fellows every two years, rather than every year, while nevertheless continuing to select finalists every year. Thus, we will continue to ask for nominations each year, so that deserving students will not miss their chance to apply for this fellowship. Finalists chosen this academic year (2020-21) will be interviewed along with finalists from the previous year to be appointed to the Lilly Graduate Fellowship in fall 2021.

Call for Applications for the Second Cohort of Lilly Faculty Fellows

The Lilly Network of Church-Related Colleges and Universities is happy to announce the 2021-2023 cohort of The Lilly Faculty Fellows Program for mid-career faculty leaders across the disciplines to engage the intersections of Christian thought and practice with the academic vocation. This initiative will: (1) refresh and
enliven a sense of calling for participants as people of faith, as teachers, and scholars; (2) provide a space for creative exploration of how Christian thought and practice intersect the academic vocation; and (3) provide funds for Fellows to develop and pilot Faculty Fellow programs on their own campuses. Although the Lilly Network has in the past emphasized faculty programs in humanities and the arts, this project especially seeks applicants from STEM, social science, and professional fields.

The Lilly Network will select 6-7 teams of two Fellows each, from different Network Schools. Teams will participate in a two-year program that includes four conferences in Indianapolis and Chicago. We will provide start-up funds of $8,000 to each participating team to inaugurate a Lilly Faculty Fellows Program on its own campus, and individual Fellows will be awarded a $4,000 honorarium for participation, for a total award of $16,000. Travel, meals, and lodging for all four conferences will be provided as well as all necessary books and materials.

The program will commence in June 2021 and conclude in June 2023.

Click here for Dates and Schedule, Eligibility, and Application Information.

Application Deadline is November 15, 2020.

Applicants will be notified of their status by February 15, 2021.

The 2020 Thirtieth LFP National Conference

On October 9, 2020, the LFP held its 30th annual National Conference, *Tranquillitas Ordinis: Liberal Arts Education and the Common Good*, sponsored by St. Mary’s University in San Antonio, Texas. Due to COVID-19, the conference was held virtually. Those who were able to join the conference know that the speakers and panelists addressed the responsibility that we, as educators, play in bringing “tranquility of order,” which we recognize can be mirrored in the souls of students through the process of education and for the sake of the common good. Conferees heard from Jeremy D. Wilkins, Ph.D. of Boston College, engaged a panel from St. Mary’s University chaired by James Greenaway, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Philosophy, and that included David Grenardo, J.D., Professor of Law; Terri Boggess, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Exercise and Sports Science; Verónica Contreras-Shannon, Ph.D., Professor of Biological Sciences; and Stephanie Ward, Ph.D., Professor of Management and Interim Dean of the Greehey School of Business, and heard from Lilly Graduate Fellows Nathan Cornelius, D.M.A. (Cohort 8), Adjunct Faculty, Johns Hopkins University and Towson University; Joel Scott Davis, D.M.A. (Cohort 2), Associate Professor and Director of Music Theory, Composition, and Musicology, Samford University; and Daniel Gee, D.M.A. (Cohort 10), Assistant Professor of Music, Westmont College, about their creative processes in music composition.

Please note, we will make recordings of these sessions available by early December.

The LFP will hold its thirty-first annual National Conference on October 8-11, 2020, at Boston College. The conference will address the theme, “Science, Faith and the Common Good.” Look for more information in the spring.

The 2020 Consultation for Senior Administrators: Navigating the Moral and Ethical Terrain of COVID-19

On October 8, 2020, the Lilly Fellows Program hosted a virtual consultation for senior administrators at Lilly Network Schools on the topic: *Navigating the Moral and Ethical Terrain of Covid-19*. The LFP is still gathering information from that consultation which we will make available to participants in late November or early December.
Please note, the 2020 annual Lilly Fellows Program Workshop for Senior Administrators on the topic, *Mapping Institutional Mission: Where Does Mission Live on Your Campus and Why Does It Matter?*, will be held on October 7-8, 2021, when we meet together at Boston College.

**The Tenth Biennial Arlin G. Meyer Prize in Music Performance for 2020**

On October 15, 2020, the Lilly Fellows Program announced Stephen Heyde, Mary Franks Thompson Professor of Orchestral Studies at Baylor University as winner of the 2020 Arlin G. Meyer Prize in Music Performance for conducting the Baylor University Symphony Orchestra’s performance of Gustav Mahler’s *Symphony No. 2*. The Lilly Fellows Program also honored five finalists for the award: Craig Cramer, Professor of Organ at the University of Notre Dame for *O Sacred Instrument*; Joel Scott Davis, Associate Professor of Music, and Jeffrey Z. Flaniken, Associate Professor of Music, both at Samford University in Birmingham, AL, for *String Quartet No. 1: Vespers*; Brent Edstrom, Professor of Music, and Scott David Miller, Director of Vocal Studies and Professor of Music, both at Whitworth University in Spokane, WA, for *Prairie Songs: Remembering Antonia*; Robert Feller, Area Coordinator for Winds and Percussion at Biola University in La Mirada, CA, for *The Artisan*; and Jim Taylor, Associate Professor of Music and Director of Fine Arts at LeTourneau University in Longview, TX, for *Cambridge Songs Suite No. 2*.

The Arlin G. Meyer Prize is awarded biennially to a full-time faculty member from a college or university in the Lilly Network of Church-Related Colleges and Universities whose work exemplifies the practice of the Christian artistic or scholarly vocation in relation to any pertinent subject matter or literary and artistic style. The 2020 Prize has been awarded to the conductor or performer of a musical work that emerges from his or her practice of the vocation of the Christian musician, in accord with the principles and ideals of the Lilly Fellows Program. In subsequent years, the Meyer Prize will honor those who practice in the fields of non-fiction, visual art, imaginative writing, and performing arts.

**Note on COVID-19 and the LFP Activities**

Given the impact of COVID-19 on colleges and universities across the country as well as at Valparaiso University, the institutional home of the Lilly Fellows Program, we will do our best to communicate with you regularly about how our programs might be impacted. For now, we know the following.

1. At present we intend to hold the thirty-first annual National Conference in person at Boston College on October 8-11, 2021.
3. For the status of Regional Conferences, see the Events menu of the LFP website.
4. The recruitment of the next cohort of Lilly Graduate Fellows is moving forward.
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6. We will still receive nominations for the 2021 LFP Book Award, which are due March 1, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

**Call for Nominations, The Ninth Biennial Lilly Fellows Program Book Award for 2021**
The Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts invites nominations for the ninth biennial Lilly Fellows Program Book Award for 2021. The biennial Lilly Fellows Program Book Award honors an original and imaginative work from any academic discipline that best exemplifies the central ideas and principles animating the Lilly Fellows Program. These include faith and learning in the Christian intellectual tradition, the vocation of teaching and scholarship, and the history, theory or practice of the university as the site of religious inquiry and culture.

Works under consideration should address the historical or contemporary relation of Christian intellectual life and scholarship to the practice of teaching as a Christian vocation or to the past, present, and future of higher education. Single authored books or edited collections in any discipline, published in 2017 to 2020, are eligible. The committee will receive nominations of academic faculty, clergy, and others. Authors or editors cannot nominate their own works. A Prize of $3000 will be awarded at the Lilly Fellows Program National Conference at Boston College, in October 2021. The deadline for nominations is March 1, 2021.

Further nomination information is coming in January 2021. For more information, click here.

**Deadlines for Grants and Other Opportunities**

**Grants:**
The next series of programs that will receive funding are: Mentoring Programs, Small Grants, Network Exchanges, and Regional Collaborations and Conferences. Proposals for the programs are due September 15, 2021.

**Fellowship Programs:**
The deadline for submitting up to three nominees for the Lilly Graduate Fellows Program is November 10, 2020.

Applications for the Lilly Faculty Fellows Program are due November 15, 2020.

The deadline for applications for the 2021-2023 Postdoctoral Teaching Fellowships in Humanities and the Arts is Wednesday, January 6, 2021.

For more information, visit the LFP website.

**Facebook and Twitter**

As always, the LFP can be followed on Facebook and Twitter at @LFProgram and @Exilesfromeden.